

APPROPRIATIONS FOR CHIPPEWA INDIANS.

LETTER

FROM

THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR,

RECOMMENDING

Appropriations to fulfil treaty stipulations with Chippewas of Red Lake, &c.

MAY 9, 1864.—Referred to the Committee of Ways and Means and ordered to be printed.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
Washington, D. C., May 6, 1864.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith a copy of a communication from the Commissioner of Indian Affairs of the 3d instant, submitting a special estimate of appropriations required to fulfil treaty stipulations with the Chippewas of Red Lake and Pembina band of Chippewas, under treaty of October 1, 1863, as amended March 1, 1864, and the supplementary treaty of April 12, 1864, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1865, and recommend that the appropriations be made as estimated.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

J. P. USHER, *Secretary.*

Hon. SCHUYLER COLFAX,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
Office Indian Affairs, May 3, 1864.

SIR: I have the honor to submit herewith a special estimate for appropriations required for fulfilling treaty stipulations with the Chippewas of Red Lake and the Pembina band of Chippewas, under treaty of October 2, 1863, as amended March 1, 1864, and the treaty supplementary thereto of April 12, 1864, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1865.

I have also included in said estimate the amount required to defray the expenses of the board of visitors provided under treaty of March 11, 1863, article 7, as amended by the Senate, with the Chippewas of Mississippi, for the current fiscal year, and for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1865; and should you concur, I would respectfully recommend that a copy of said estimate, with its accom-

panying papers, be referred to the appropriate committee of the House and Senate for their action.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

Commissioner.

Hon. JOHN P. USHER,
Secretary of the Interior.

Estimate of appropriations required for fulfilling treaty stipulations with the Chippewas of Red Lake and Pembina tribe of Chippewas, under treaty October 2, 1863, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1865.

For this amount as annuity to be paid <i>per capita</i> to the Red Lake band of Chippewas during the pleasure of the President, per third article treaty October 2, 1863, and 2d article supplementary to treaty April 12, 1864, approved April 25, 1864,.....	\$10, 000
For this amount to the Pembina band of Chippewas, per same articles and treaty, during the pleasure of the President,.....	5, 000
For the first of fifteen instalments to be expended annually for the purpose of supplying them with gilling-twine, cottonmatter, calico, linsey, blankets, sheeting, flannels, provisions, farming tools, and for such other useful articles, and for such other useful purposes, as may be deemed for their best interests, per 3d article of the supplementary treaty April 12, 1864,.....	18, 000
For the first of fifteen instalments for same objects, for the Pembina band of Chippewas, per third article of the supplementary treaty April 12, 1864,.....	4, 000
For the first of fifteen instalments for pay of one blacksmith, one physician, who shall furnish medicine for the sick, one miller and one farmer, per fourth article supplementary treaty April 12, 1864,.....	3, 900
For first of fifteen instalments for the purchase of iron and steel, and other articles for blacksmithing purposes, per fourth article supplementary treaty April 12, 1864.....	1, 500
For first of fifteen instalments to be expended for carpentering and other purposes, per fourth article supplementary treaty, April 12, 1864.....	1, 000
For this amount to be expended in building a saw-mill, with a run of millstones attached, per fifth article supplementary treaty, April 12, 1864.....	6, 000
For this amount to be paid to the chiefs of said bands, through their agents, per fourth article treaty October 2, 1863, as amended March 1, 1864, and modified by the sixth article supplementary treaty April 12, 1864.....	25, 000
For this amount for the payment of claims of injured persons for depredations committed by said Indians on the goods of certain British and American traders, at the mouth of Red Lake river, and for exactions forcibly levied on the proprietors of steamboat plying on the Red river, to be paid in full; and the remainder to be paid <i>pro rata</i> upon the debts of said tribe incurred since the 1st day of January, 1859, to be ascertained by the agents in connexion with the chiefs, per fourth article treaty October 2, 1863, as amended March 1, 1864, and modified by the sixth article supplementary treaty April 12, 1864.....	75, 000

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For this amount to defray the expense of cutting out a road from Leach lake to Red lake, per fifth article of treaty October 2, 1863	\$5,000
For the first of fifteen instalments to defray the expense of a board of visitors, to consist of not more than three persons, to attend upon the annuity payments of the said Chippewa Indians, whose salary shall not exceed five dollars per day, nor more than twenty days, and ten cents per mile for travelling expenses, and not to exceed three hundred miles, per sixth article of treaty, October 2, 1863.	390
For insurance and transportation of annuity goods and provisions, and material for building mill, including machinery, iron and steel for blacksmiths, &c., for the Chippewas of Red Lake and Pembina tribe.	10,000
For this amount to defray the expense of bringing on the delegation of Chippewas of Red Lake and Pembina tribe, and to defray their expenses while detained in this city in making treaty and their return to their home.	17,500
For this amount to defray the expenses of a board of visitors, to consist of not more than three persons, to attend upon the annuity payments of the Chippewas of the Mississippi, and the Pillager and Lake Winnibigoshish bands of Chippewa Indians in Minnesota, whose salary shall not exceed five dollars per day, and not to be employed more than twenty days to attend upon any one payment and the duties connected therewith, and ten cents per mile for travel, not exceeding three hundred miles, per Senate amendment to seventh article of treaty March 11, 1863, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1864.	390
Same for fiscal year ending June 30, 1865.	390
Total.	<u>183,070</u>